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## DISPOSITION OF GERMAN COLONIES WILL DECIDE FINAL FATE OF LEAGUE

Wilson Believes League Of Nations Will Be Given Its Death Blow If Allies Insist On Dividing Germany's Former Colonial Possessions Like So Much Loot.—England Is Supporting America In Her Claims.

By Robert J. Bender  
(United Press staff correspondent)  
Paris, Jan. 30.—America's participation in the peace settlement may depend on the decision regarding disposition of the German colonies, it was intimated today.  
President Wilson believes the league of nations—the principle of which was unanimously adopted last Saturday—will be given its death blow if the allies now insist on dividing Germany's former colonial possessions like so much loot. The league of nations was one of the principal ideals for which the United States entered the war.  
Some of the allies appear to favor carrying out the world old custom of "division of the spoils," before the league of nations begins to function—which may account for the unexpected pressure for territorial problems at this time. But the president wants to have the league become effective first so it can take care of just such questions as internationalization of Germany's captured islands and colonies. He would begin to make the league effective by placing these disputed possessions under its administration.  
The problem thus presented is the most serious that has yet confronted the peace delegates. Wilson's firm attitude apparently has confused his opponents, forcing them to play for time in which to determine their course of action.

RESUMED DISCUSSIONS  
By Fred S. Ferguson  
Paris, Jan. 30.—The peace bureau resumed discussion of the German colonial problem this morning.  
With the majority of the representatives proceeding on the basis that the secret treaties formulated by the allies before America's intervention, were nullified by acceptance of President Wilson's fourteen points. It was

## NORTHWEST GERMAN REPUBLIC DECLARED

So Far It Has Received No Recognition From Berlin—Its Authority Is Force.

By Frank J. Taylor  
(United Press Staff Correspondent)  
Borne, Jan. 30.—A northwest German republic was declared by the Brunswick soldiers' and workmen's congress according to dispatches received here today. A new state extends from the Hartz mountains to the North sea and includes Hamburg, Schleswig-Holstein and parts of Saxony and Altmärk. It is based on socialism and communism.  
The northwest German republic has received no recognition so far from Berlin and its only authority is that of force.

Control Wilhelmshaven Yet.  
Berlin, Jan. 29.—(Delayed.)—Spartanists still controlled Wilhelmshaven today, according to advices received from that city. They had dissolved the workmen's and soldiers' council, seized all public buildings and banks and taken over the railways, telephones and telegraphs.  
A "state of siege" has been declared by them.  
City officials have protested against the action of the Spartans and have gone on strike, determining to do no work until removal of the "terror." Functioning of the various municipal industries is thus seriously affected.  
A report from Stuttgart today said the shortage of coal probably will force Berlin electric workers to discontinue for a fortnight until a reserve can be accumulated. This would cut off all light and power here.  
Klarazetkin and 400 independent socialists are reported to have joined the Spartacist movement.

BOSTON BRAVES SOLD  
Boston, Mass., Jan. 30.—The Boston Braves were sold today to George Washington Grant, well known moving picture man of London and Paris. The club was sold for cash, the amount not being announced.  
Grant is now president and treasurer of the club. It also was announced that George Stallings will remain manager of the team and that Walter Haggood will remain as business manager and secretary. They will constitute the board of directors.

## PRESENTS ANOTHER CONSOLIDATION BILL

If These Proposed Laws Pass They Will Become Effective In Ninety Days.

Two more consolidation bills were presented yesterday, that of the state board of education and the state land board. The proposed state board of education is to include six members in addition to the superintendent of public instruction, who is to serve ex-officio as secretary of the board.  
The board of education provides that three of the members of the board shall be experienced in common and high schools and that three shall be interested in higher education. The term is for a period of six years and all are to be selected by the governor with the consent of the senate.  
The bill would abolish the following: State board of education, state board of text books commissioners, and its chairman, board of higher curricula and its chairman, trustees of state library and state librarian.  
There has already been introduced bills providing for state departments of agriculture, labor and a department of industries and in each a number of offices and officials are abolished.  
As laws without an emergency clause become operative within 90 days after passage by the house and senate and signature of the governor, all the big consolidations proposed abolishing a majority of office holders in the state have been viewed with deep interest by those who have inhabited the state house for a number of years.  
However, from general expression around the state house, and elsewhere what is generally known as the barber shop opinion, there is little to fear that the present office holders will be legislated out of a job.

## HOUSE GETS DOWN TO BUSINESS TODAY AND ORATORY IS LACKING

Passes Bill To Exempt Money, Notes, And Accounts From Taxation.

The sledding was good in the house this morning and business went along with a rapid swing that promises well. Having spent the greater part of Wednesday on needless oratory, the members were more than ready to get down to business.

It was expected that the labor element would make another long fight on the passing of the red flag bill. To prevent another day of oratory, C. E. Woodson of Heppner moved the previous question at the beginning of the morning session, and as this was carried all debate was shut off.

With the exception of Representatives Horne, Richards and Smith of Portland, the red flag bill met the approval of the house notwithstanding the opposition of the labor men.  
To investigate the conditions of dairies and the price of milk and why the dairy industry is not paying and why there should not be a higher price paid for milk in Portland, Speaker Seymour Jones appointed as the house committee, Weeks of Marion, Edwards of Tillamook and Dodd of Umatilla county. The senate appointed LaFollett of Marion and Norblad of Clatsop county.

The vote of Wednesday practically eliminating the roadmaster from part of his duties in viewing and laying out county roads was reconsidered this morning. It was proposed to place this work on the county surveyor and the bill passed hurriedly Wednesday evening. Now that it is reported and postponed indefinitely, the old law stands.  
The following bills passed the house this morning:  
To include money, notes and accounts with other property exempt from taxation. Mr. Scheibel who presented the bill said the old law got the little fellow more than the big one. If the present bill becomes law, money, notes and accounts on hand actually used in the transaction of business will not be taxable.  
To require that official bonds of administrators, executors, and guardians be recorded in a special book and to be used as primary evidence should the original be lost. Original bonds are often lost or stolen. With a record kept in a special book, if the bond is taken away, the record may be used as evidence.  
Pass Dedder Bill.  
A parasite of alfalfa and clover known as dodder is making trouble in Umatilla county and Mr. Dodd, representative from that county was pleased to have his bill passed this morning. It provides that any land owner may permit dodder to grow on his land and permits dodder to grow on his land and if he does not remove it within 40 days action may be had in a justice court in a civil suit.  
Out in the eastern part of the state it often happens that a judge of the

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## ROBERT PAULUS TO HEAD COMMERCIAL CLUB DURING YEAR

Annual Meeting Was Attended By Seventy-Five Enthusiastic Members.

There were nearly one hundred members packed into the Commercial club auditorium last night for the annual meeting, and the good will and enthusiasm and optimism set a new record for club meetings. The atmosphere was as thick with harmony as it was with cigar smoke—and most of the cigars were perfect. The things were so thoroughly unanimous that a bunch of influenza germs who held a "state" conference in one of the cuspidors, got up and left in the midst of one of the speeches. One person present, with Hibernal propensities, thought it would be a good idea to hold the annual meeting quarterly in future.

Most of the nominees in the election were so retiring that they all tried to decline, but they were so much wanted that their election was made unanimous in every case. Theo. Roth and Robt. Paulus were so mighty popular that they were nominated for two offices at the same time. Hal Patton was "serious" on his feet and quoted from "the book of Moses" in support of his candidacy and F. G. Deckerbach moved that they "suspend the constitution" in order to carry his point.

President Steussloff being out of the city, vice president Robt. Paulus presided and read the annual message. This document reviewed briefly the activities of the past year, which had been so hampered by war activities, and pointed out what should be the policy of the club in future. He predicted an era of great prosperity for the country and urged that the club enter upon a campaign of publicity and boosting for Salem and the valley. He urged the encouragement of the agricultural and horticultural industries, the building up of payrolls, the attraction of capital to this community, and above all, to make the Commercial club a vital force in development.

Spoke of Salem's Possibilities.  
Vice President Paulus in his address followed the same line of thought, emphasizing the future possibilities of Salem, the center of one of the most productive regions of the west. His speech bristled with statistics showing the resources of this valley, enumerating the plants and institutions that were already making Salem known to the world, and predicting that some of our manufacturing plants would have to double their capacity in the near future in order to keep up with the demand.

He noted especially that a large proportion of the fruit boxes for this district had to be shipped in from the outside. He noted that representatives of some of the great industries in the east had already been in the field looking for locations. The need of increasing the club membership was emphasized in order to keep pace with the progress in other lines. The organization should not only work for the location of new industries but should co-operate with the farming interests in building up the industries already in the field, which were sometimes restricted in their output for lack of raw materials. Another feature of club work urged by Mr. Paulus was the endeavor to bring to Salem a number of great conventions.

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## AUTO THIEVES AIMED AT IN PROPOSED LAW

Provides That Driver Of Car Must Carry Tag To Identify His Ownership.

If a bill offered in the house becomes a law, every person who drives an auto or motor vehicle of any kind will be required to have a badge, card or tag showing he or she is entitled to have possession of the machine before buying gasoline or having repairs done. The bill provides that when the secretary of state issues the license plates he shall also issue two metal cards, tags, badges or bangles of ownership or authority.  
These badges or tags or cards or bangles are to be numbered to correspond with the license plate of the machine and are intended to show the driver's authority to be in possession of the car or motor vehicle.  
It shall be unlawful, the bill proposes for any gasoline or oil vendor or repairer or any person volunteering assistance in the operation of the motor to sell or furnish any gasoline or render assistance in repairing without first requiring that the operator of the car produce and exhibit the official metal tag or badge.  
Should the bill become a law, it is thought it would do much to cripple the growing industry of stealing automobiles.

## STRIKES IN BRITISH ISLES ARE ALLEGED TO BE BOLSHEVISTIC

Are In Open Opposition To Authorized Heads Of Natural Trades Unions.

Glasgow, Jan. 30.—Striking shipbuilders raided the yards today and dragged out several non-unionists. A serious clash was narrowly averted.  
The strikers sent an ultimatum to the provost marshal declaring that unless the employers consent to begin negotiations by tomorrow they will cut off the city's entire supply of electricity. Many municipal electrical employees already are on strike and it is said there is only enough current for street lights and hospitals.

Are Bolshevistic.  
London, Jan. 30.—The general strikes throughout Great Britain and Ireland are bolshevistic, British labor leaders declared today. They said the strikers are under the direction of local boards organized like soviets, which are openly opposed to the authorized heads of the National Federation of Trades Unions. It was further charged that the strikes are being partially financed by the Russian bolsheviks.

"The strikes are the result of agitation by 'shop stewards' who are English bolsheviks," Frank Smith, national secretary of the Federation of Engineers and Shipbuilders, told the United Press today.  
They are under the direction of local boards which are organized like soviets and are in open opposition to the authorized heads of the National Federation of Trades Unions. It is reported that these 'shop stewards' are receiving money from Lenin.

"The executive council of the federation voted yesterday to disclaim any connection with the strikes except the one called in the Tyne district for a 47 hour week which is likely to be settled in a few days."  
To Have Congress Next Week.  
"I have learned that the 'shop stewards' have invited the local boards of England, Scotland and probably Ireland to attend a congress next week in Barrow-in-Furness (18 miles northwest of Lancaster), which is the capital of British bolshevism. The purpose of this congress, I understand, is to endorse the 'shop steward' or soviet movement, and draw up a definite program. The 'shop stewards' recently sent seven agitators through the districts which are now erupting. It is believed certain they caused the present upheaval."

"The men now striking voted in November to accept a 47 hour week. Apparently flushed with the success of their efforts, they are now independently trying to force a 40 hour week. The government is faced with a dilemma. If it deals with the strikers it means recognition of the independent organization and consequent retraction of the government's decision to treat with the authorized heads of organized labor."  
About a quarter of a million men are on strike in various parts of the United Kingdom. Shipbuilding is completely tied up and other industries, particularly coal mines, are seriously affected through sympathetic strikes.  
Belfast, where rioting already has occurred, is completely dominated by the strikers and business is at a standstill. More than 100,000 persons are now out of work in Belfast. There is no electricity and intra-city transportation is paralyzed.

The Willys-Overland company announces a profit sharing plan whereby half the profits of the Toledo plant over a fair return on the capital invested will be distributed to the 10,000 employees annually.

## ABE MARTIN



What's become of the old time preacher that dressed like a corpse and kept his hair on the side? It was resolved at the 'Slutty Holler Debate' club last night, that the spirit tore out faster than the Christmas spirit.

## RUSSIAN REPUBLICAN FACTION MAY FORFEIT SUPPORT GIVEN BY U.S.

This May Result Unless They Endorse Wilson's Plans For Ending Strife Through Meeting Of Bolsheviki And Allied Delegates.—Step Toward This Would Be Embargo Against Archangel And Vladivostok Exports.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The United States threatens to withdraw its support from the Russian republican factions unless they at once endorse President Wilson's plans for ending Russian strife through a meeting with bolshevik and allied delegates, diplomatic circles disclosed today.  
Recall of American troops in the Archangel region and in Siberia, embargo against exports to Archangel and Vladivostok and withdrawal of United States recognition now granted the diplomats of the Russian constitutionalists at Washington, would be the most significant features of the step. Similar action could be expected from Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan and the Russians would be left "to fight it out amongst themselves."

It is understood a memorandum of the American viewpoint has been handed to the Russian embassy here for conveyance to Russian ambassadors and ministers at Paris.  
Diplomats admit that the disappointment of the United States at the opposition of the Russian constitutionalists toward the proposed all-Russian conference is evident.  
Supported Diplomats.  
The United States has practically supported the constitutional diplomats here, financially as well as politically, since their appointment by Kerensky. The entire powers were led to do likewise.  
The official position of the northern Russian government regarding the meeting will not be known, it is believed, until the arrival in Paris of President Tehnikovsky, now on his way to the peace conference from Archangel.  
The Russian embassy has received an Archangel cable declaring that Tehnikovsky is pledged by his government to take an uncompromising stand against the bolsheviks and to insist on Russian republican admission to the deliberations.  
The cables also stated that Tehnikovsky proposes to join the Omsk government representatives in establishing a strong center of Russian politics in Paris, from which the land can be redeemed from chaos.

## REPORTS ON SENATE BILLS ARE COMING IN SLOWLY THESE DAYS

At Short Session This Morning, Anti-Trust Bill Was Passed.

As on previous days the senate ran out of business in a short while this morning and took a recess until afternoon. Its afternoon sessions, with only one or two exceptions, have been lasting 15 or 20 minutes. By the end of that time the senate cleans up all the business on the desk and is forced to adjourn for the lack of something to do.  
This condition is attributed to the tardiness of the senate committees in acting on and reporting bills which have been referred to them for consideration. As the session is now practically half over, it means that unless the committees get down to business and turn out work for the senate to do there is going to be a greater congestion even than usual during the closing days of the session.

Attention was called to the situation yesterday afternoon by Senator Strayer who urged the committees to expedite their business.  
"Half of the session is over and not any of the large measures have been brought in yet," he said. "This morning 77 bills and resolutions were referred to committees, and there are now probably 100 measures in the hands of committees. I want to emphasize the necessity of the committees reporting out bills so that the senate can get to work on them and not have a great congestion toward the end of the session."

This morning the senate passed the anti-trust bill introduced by Senator Lauchmud. The bill was passed with only two votes against it, these being cast by Huston and Handley.  
The measure is drawn to hit any monopoly or combination in restraint of trade or to control prices, and provides penalties for any persons, firms, corporations, or associations to create or carry out restrictions in trade; to limit the production or to increase or reduce the price of commodities; to prevent competition in the manufacture, transportation, sale or purchase of merchandise, produce or commodities; to fix any standard or figure whereby the price in the public shall be in any manner established or controlled.  
Real Object of Bill.  
The real object of the bill, as explained by Senator Thomas, is to reach the alleged cement monopoly in this state, which he said has prevented the highway commission from obtaining road materials at a price for which they should be sold.

He said the bill does not apply to agricultural or labor organizations, and in reply to a query from Senator Ferrell he said it was not intended to be enacted into law until the legislature adjourns. He said it was not intended to be enacted into law until the legislature adjourns. He said it was not intended to be enacted into law until the legislature adjourns.

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